

SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Kathleen O'Toole
Chief of Police- via Chain of Command

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SUBJECT: Bias Crimes and Bias Incidents Synopsis - (1st Half 2015 dates 01/01/15-06/30/15)

Overview

During the first half of 2015, **103** bias incidents were reported to the Seattle Police Department. This represents a notable rise of **56%** from the last reporting period which had **66** bias incidents, criminal and non-criminal, citywide. The largest category increase is the non-criminal bias incidents category with **36** reported in the first half of 2015 in comparison to the first and second half of 2014, which reported just **10** and **12** respectively.

Incidents

- ✓ 39 were determined to be Malicious Harassment
- ✓ 28 of the incidents were determined to be crimes with bias elements
- ✓ 36 of the incidents were determined to be non-criminal bias incidents

Arrests

- ✓ 15 total people were arrested in 39 Malicious Harassment related crimes:
 - 6 were arrested and/or charged with a felony crime
 - 8 were arrested and/or charged with a misdemeanor offense
 - 1 case was cleared exceptional- the victim did not want to press charges
 - 22 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors
 - 2 cases remain open

- ✓ 17 total people were arrested out of 28 crimes with bias elements
 - 5 were arrested and/or charged with a felony crime
 - 7 were arrested and/or charged with a misdemeanor offense
 - 3 were arrested and cases were forwarded to Mental Health Court
 - 2 cases were cleared exceptional- victims did not want to press charges
 - 11 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors

Bias Categories

The bias events targeted **13** total groups with the **3** most frequent groups accounting for **66%** of the total bias incidents.

Bias category	Crimes	Non-Criminal Bias Incidents
Gay & Lesbian	25	9
Transgender	2	1
Black	22	11
Homeless	0	0
Jewish	2	4
Asian/Pacific Islander	3	1
Other Ethnicity (Arab, Somali)	2	5
Physical Disability	0	0
Islamic	2	0
Political	0	0
White	6	2
Hispanic	0	1
Catholic/Other Christian	2	0
Multi-Racial Group	2	2
Gender	1	0
Alaska Native/Pacific Islander	1	0
Totals	70	36

Note: Three bias incidents had two different bias categories represented

- The category of Anti-Gay and Lesbian represents **36%** percent of the incidents.
- The category of Anti-Black represents **32%** of the total reported incidents.
- The category of Anti-White represents **8%** percent of the incidents.
- **31%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 1st watch hours (0400-1200)
- **39%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 2nd watch hours (1200-2000)
- **30%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 3rd watch hours (2000-0400)

West Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
David	D1	1		2
	D2	2		
	D3	1	2	
King	K1		3	
	K2		2	4
	K3	1	2	
Mary	M1	1		
	M2	3	4	
	M3		3	1
Queen	Q1			1
	Q2			1
	Q3	1	1	
Totals	36	10	17	9

- David Sector represents **22%** of the total crimes and **25%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
 - 2 Anti-Homosexual **crimes with bias elements**.
 - 1 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment**.
 - 1 Anti-Homosexual **bias incident (non-criminal)**.
 - 3 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**.
 - 1 Anti-Other Ethnicity **bias incident (non-criminal)**.

- King Sector represents **30%** of the total crimes and **44%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
 - 2 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 3 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-Homosexual **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-White **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Asian **crime with bias elements**
 - 2 Other Race **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Islamic **crime with bias elements**

- Mary Sector represents **41%** of the total crimes and **14%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
 - 3 Anti-Black **crimes with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Transgender **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Transgender **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment**
 - 2 Anti-Homosexual **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Gender **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-American Indian/Alaska Native **crime with bias elements**

- Queen Sector represents of the **7%** of the total crimes and **29%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Black and Anti-Jewish **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias element**
 - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment**.

South Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Robert	R1			
	R2	1		4
	R3	3	1	1
Sam	S2		1	1
Ocean	O2			1
	O3			1
Totals	14	4	2	8

- Robert Sector represents **83%** of the total crimes and **63%** non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Multi-Racial **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-White and Anti-Gay & Lesbian **malicious harassment**
 - 2 Anti-Gay & Lesbian **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-Gay & Lesbian **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Multi-Racial **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Transgender **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-White **crime with bias elements**
- Ocean Sector represents **0%** of the total crimes and **25%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
 - 2 Anti-Gay & Lesbian **bias incident (non-criminal)**
- Sam Sector represents **17%** of the crimes and **13%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Other Race **bias incident (non-criminal)**.
 - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**.

East Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Edward	E1	4		1
	E2	10	1	2
	E3			1
Charlie	C1	1		
	C2		1	1
	C3			3
George	G1	2	1	2
	G2	1	1	1
Totals	33	18	4	11

- Edward Sector represents **68%** of the total crimes and **36%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
 - 11 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment crimes**
 - 2 Anti-Homosexual **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Jewish **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Other Christian **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Other Race Ethnicity **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Other Race Ethnicity **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment**

- Charlie Sector represents **9%** of the total crimes and **36%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Jewish **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Jewish and Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-White **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Asian **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Other Ethnicity **bias incident (non-criminal)**
- George Sector represents **23%** of the total crimes and **27%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
 - 2 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment**.
 - 1 Anti-Homosexual **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 2 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-White **crime with bias elements**.

North Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Nora	N1			
	N2		1	
	N3	2		
Boy	B1		1	2
	B2			1
	B3		1	
Lincoln	L1			1
	L2			
	L3	1		
Union	U1			
	U2	2		1
	U3		1	
John	J1	1		
	J2			
	J3			
Totals	15	6	4	5

- Nora Sector represents **30%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-Asian **malicious harassment**
- Boy Sector represents **20%** of the total crimes and **60%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - 2 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-White **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Catholic **crime with bias elements**
- Lincoln Sector represents **10%** of the total crimes and **20%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-Hispanic **bias incident (non-criminal)**
- Union Sector represents **30%** of the total crimes and **20%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Jewish **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Asian **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 2 Anti-homosexual **malicious harassments**
- John Sector represents **10%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment.**

Southwest Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Frank	F1			2
	F2	1		1
	F3		1	
William	W3			
Totals	5	1	1	3

- Frank Sector represents **100%** of the total crimes and **100%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Pct.
 - 1 Anti-Other Ethnicity **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
 - 1 Anti-Islamic **malicious harassment**
 - 1 Anti-Gay & Lesbian **bias incident (non-criminal)**

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- William Sector represents 0 % of the total crimes and **0%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Pct.
 - 1 anti-black **crime with bias.**
 - 1 Other Ethnicity **crime with bias element.**